I call on you to hold an official public hearing in $\ensuremath{\mathsf{my}}$ state.

Before the disastrous 2003 decision to weaken media ownership rules (which a federal court has now overturned), you held only one official public hearing. Further, FCC officials met behind closed doors 71 times with major broadcasters — but only five times with public interest groups. And to justify your actions, you used deceptive, industrysponsored research data.

The will of Big Media had been heeded at the expense of American citizens and democracy itself. This has to end. Before you rewrite the ownership rules, I demand an official public FCC hearing in my state, impartial and verifiable research, and transparent debates.

It is time to put the needs of democracy — a diverse, skeptical, independent and competitive media system — ahead of profit-hungry media giants.

I'm tired of huge national & multinational corporations deciding what I need to eat, see and hear! Listen to those that bear the burden when corporations are given too much power! Deregulation is not the answer! Listen to the people of The United States of America, who never wanted to be inundated with the kind of T.V. & radio that we appear to be stuck with now.